◆衛帝隊 弐等衛士・ロクサーネ

登場人物

セスタス：ローマ帝国の最下層階級の少年拳奴。生き延びるために日々の闘いを余儀なくされる。

ルスカ：ローマ皇帝・ネロを護る衛帝隊の参等衛士にしてパンクラティオンの天才。結婚相手を無惨な形で失う。

ネロ：ローマ帝国第５代皇帝。17歳で即位した幼年皇帝。孤独な日常にセスタスと出会い、自らの理解者になるよう求める。

デミトリアス：ルスカの実父にしてローマ帝国の勇者。別名アッティカの金獅子。徒手格闘兵団（パンクラトス・レギオン）衛帝隊・隊長。

オクタヴィア：ネロの妻。

アグリッピーナ：ネロの実母。権謀術数にすぐれた妖艶なる女傑。ネロの元首としての器を心配する。

ドライゼン：衛帝隊副長。格闘の実力、人格ともにすぐれ、ルスカが慕う人物。

ロクサーネ：アルカディア出身の徒手格闘兵団衛帝隊・弐等衛士。

ディノディモス：スパルタ出身。徒手格闘兵団衛帝隊・補佐官。

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PANKRATION ORIGINATED IN ANCIENT GREECE. IT WAS A SYNTHESIS OF NUMEROUS HAND TO HAND COMBAT TECHNIQUES.

ORIGINALLY, THERE WERE ONLY THREE FOULS: STRIKING AT THE EYES, THE CROTCH, OR BITING ONE'S OPPONENT.

CHAPTER LVII: THE LION'S OFFSPRING

BY THE TIME OF THE ROMANS, EVEN THESE THREE FOULS HAD BEEN ANNULLED.

INDEED, THERE WAS MUCH TALK OF A HORRIFYING MATCH, IN WHICH ONE COMPETITOR HELD DOWN HIS OPPONENT, AND GORGED OUT HIS GUTS.

THE LION.

AT THAT TIME HE WAS ALREADY A BEAST OF DEATH, WHO HAD DEPARTED THE REALM OF HUMANITY.

FROM HIS TRULY FEROCIOUS FIGHTING MANNER...

OTHER PANKRATISTS AT THE TIME WOULD FEARFULLY CALL HIM...

WHEN HE STOOD ALONE, SPARRING PRIOR TO A MATCH...

TO THINK THAT HE WOULD SUDDENLY FLASH ACROSS MY MIND RIGHT NOW...

FOR NO REASON WHATSOEVER...

WAS HE ABLE TO WIN WITHOUT INJURY...?

NO, IT COULD BE THAT...

TRAINEE HAND TO HAND FIGHTER CORPS, PRAETORIAN GUARD PARADE GROUND.

IT FOLLOWS THEN...

THAT WE MUST CONSTANTLY GUARD AGAINST INDECISIVENESS, AND RESPOND TO INABILITY!

YOU SHOULD AIM TO USE YOUR WHOLE BODY IN ITS ENTIRETY, TO TAKE YOUR OPPONENTS DOWN AS QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE!

TO RESIST SURPRISE ATTACKS WE HAVE NO TIME FOR HESITATION!

WE STAND AND REGARD OURSELVES AS SHIELDS FOR OUR MASTER!

THE PRAETORIAN GUARD ARE NOT HUMAN!

OUR BATTLES ARE ALWAYS UNEXPECTED, IN LOCATIONS NOT OF OUR CHOOSING!

THOUGH YOU MIGHT WELL WISH TO ALL FIGHT TOGETHER!

FIGHT AS YOU LIKE!

LET ME GO FIRST!

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I'LL BE MORE THAN ENOUGH BY MYSELF, DEPUTY COMMANDER...

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BY STICKING TO HIM, THE WEIGHT DIFFERENCE'LL CRUSH HIM.

IF I GRAPPLE HIM, IT'LL BE MY OUTRIGHT ADVANTAGE!

I'LL AIM TO TO GRAPPLE HIS WAIST!

HE'S QUICK TO HANDLE THINGS!

FROM THE START, MY AIM'S BEEN TO TAKE HIS LEG!

HE'S LOWERED HIS BACK, AND EXTENDED HIS KNEES.

HOWEVER, I WASN'T MOVING IN SERIOUSLY JUST THEN.

AS EXPECTED, HE'S CHANGED HIS POSTURE.

YOUR PALM STRIKE'LL BE NO GOOD LIKE THIS!

HOW ABOUT THAT THEN. I CAN COVER THIS MUCH WITH ONE MOVE!

AN ELBOW CHOP!

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HE COMPLETELY FELL FOR THE BOY'S TRAP.

THE FOOL...

LOOKS NASTY.

HE CAUGHT HIS EAR WHILE STRIKING DOWN.

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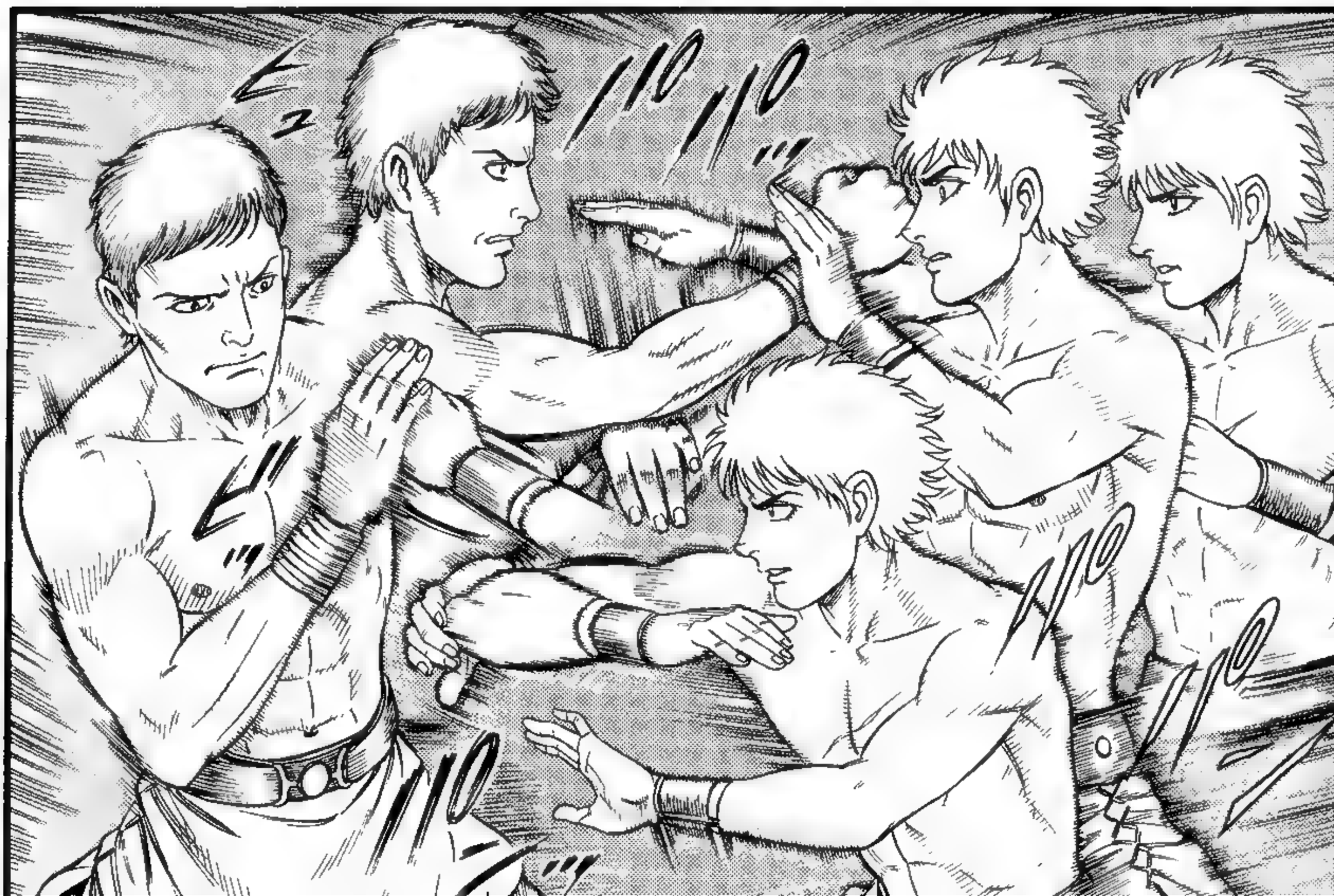

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OF COURSE!

ARE YOU OKAY?

CAN YOU STILL CONTINUE...

YOU THINK SOME BRAT LIKE YOU...!

GORGH!

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GUHAAH!

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HE'S IMPROVED...

A WONDERFUL ACT.

THAT MUST BE A RECORD FOR TAKING DOWN THREE OPPONENTS!

HE DID A FINE JOB COMPLETELY LOCKING OUT HIS OPPONENTS.

HE WAS ABLE TO QUITE LITERALLY MANIPULATE HIS WHOLE BODY IN NUMEROUS WAYS...

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WOAH!

A LITTLE.

SO, BEEN WORKING ON IMPROVING YOUR KNEE STRIKE EH?

HE'S DONE WELL TILL NOW...

HE'S NO ORDINARY GENIUS!

AH... OH.

SSSH... IDIOT!

LOKI!

YOU SURE ARE SKILLFUL RUSKA!

JUST WHAT YOU'D EXPECT FROM THE SON OF DEMITORIUS, LORD OF LIONS!

DAY BY DAY YOU'RE GROWING TO BE MORE LIKE THE COMMANDER!

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...

OUR GOOD PRINCE THERE IS RATHER MOODY.

IT'S TABOO TO SAY THAT, TABOO.

THAT AIN'T IT!

LOOK, YOU PISSED HIM OFF!

THIS IS NO JOKE!

TO THINK I COULD RESEMBLE HIM?!

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THOSE THREE WON'T BE RECOVERING FOR A WHILE...

EVEN WITH YOUR SENSE OF DUTY, CAN'T YOU SMILE A LITTLE?

ARE YOU SAYING FOR ME TO BE HAPPY FOR THOSE WHO WERE DEFEATED?

MA'AM...

CONGRATULATIONS RUSKA.

YOUR WORK DUTIES WILL INCREASE ALL THE MORE.

SO YOU'VE NOW BEEN PROMOTED TO A SECOND RANK GUARD.

YOU'VE CHANGED... RUSKA.

YOU WON'T LAUGH AT ALL.

THAT'S NOT THE SMILING FACE THAT I SPOKE OF.

HAH...

NOT AT ALL...

HAS HE FORGOTTEN EVEN THAT?

YOU WERE BY NO MEANS THE TYPE TO SECLUDE YOURSELF AWAY.

EVEN IF YOU WOULD OCCASIONALLY BROOD AND SHOW A GLOOMY LOOK...

THE BOY HAS CHANGED COMPLETELY.

SINCE THAT DAY...

I CAN ONLY HOPE...

IT'S JUST WOMANLY DOUBT...

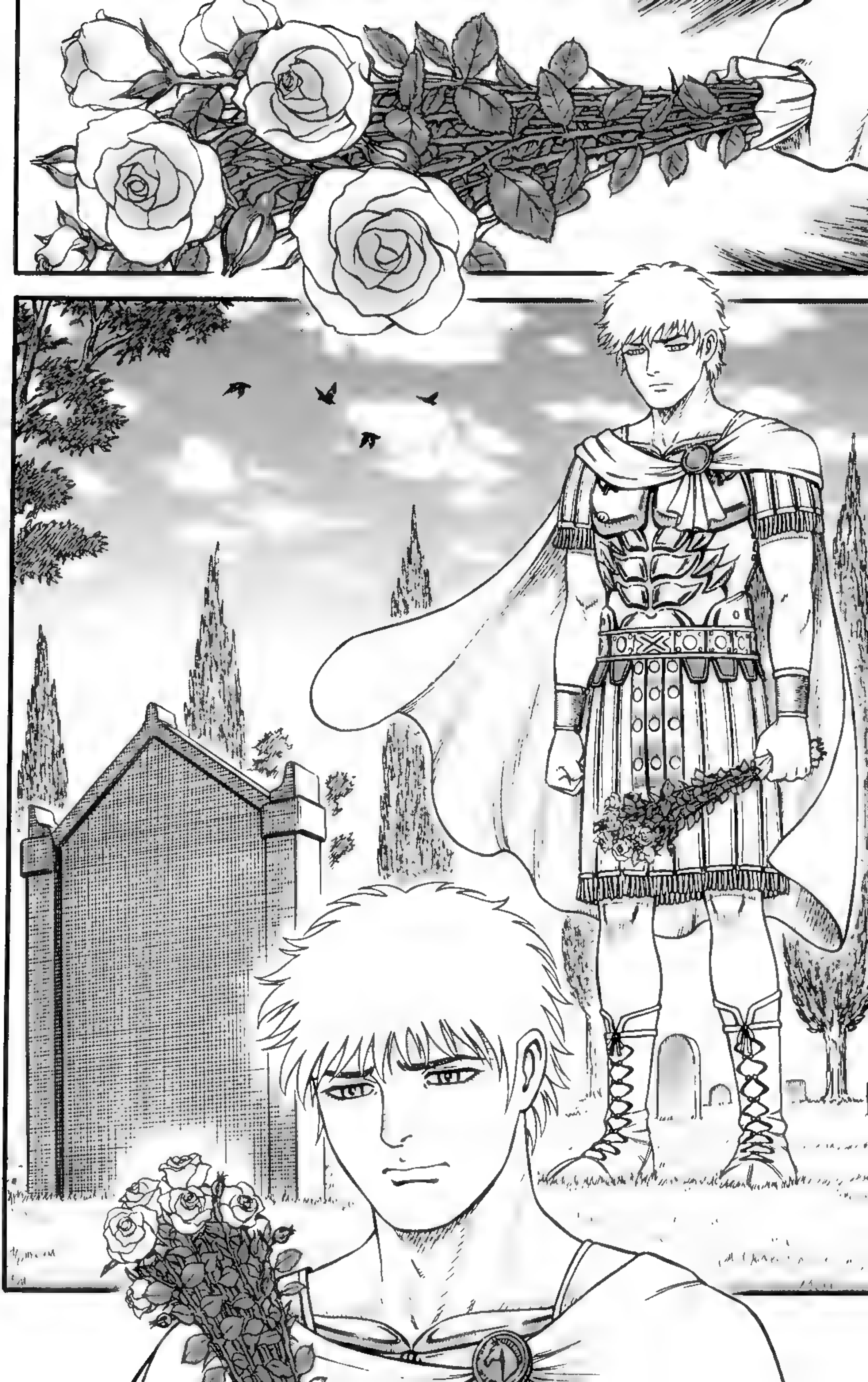
IN RUSKA'S FUTURE...

EVEN I CAN FEEL THE DANGERS OF HIM OVER-WORKING...

WHY CAN I ONLY SEE UNHAPPI-NESS...?

HOW IN THE WORLD CAN HE FILL THAT EMPTY VOID IN HIS HEART?

HE'S POLISHED AND REFINED HIS ABILITIES SO MUCH...



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OOH.

I'VE BEEN WAITING RUSKA.

SINCE MORNING I'VE BEEN BUSY SIGNING THINGS. I'M BORED TO DEATH.

YOU JEST YOUR MAJESTY.

I CANNOT ACCEPT SUCH ORDERS.

YOU ARE TO THROW ALL THESE MEN OUT OF THE WINDOW!

NERO COMMANDS IT...

I AM HARDLY SUITED FOR SUCH ACTS.

AAH.

ENOUGH OF THIS NONSENSE.

I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO SENECA.

OFF WITH YOU, OFF WITH YOU.

I AM GOING TO RETIRE.

IS THIS ALRIGHT, YOUR MAJESTY?

INCIDENTALLY RUSKA...

IT SEEMS CESTVS TOOK CONSECUTIVE WINS IN CAPUA.

HE EVEN MANAGED TO TAKE A WIN IN NAPOLIE.

MOTHER HAD INTENDED TO SMOOTHLY REMOVE A NUISANCE.

BUT I'M NO FOOL.

I'VE BEEN LOOKING INTO HIM FOR A WHILE NOW.

YOU SHOULDN'T MAKE LIGHT OF THE ROMAN EMPEROR'S INFORMATION NETWORK.

THERE'S NOTHING I CAN'T FIND OUT ABOUT WITHIN MY VAST DOMAIN.

FUFU... SURPRISED?

AREN'T THERE NUMEROUS OTHER MORE IMPORTANT MATTERS WHICH YOU SHOULD CONCERN YOURSELF OVER.

TO HAVE YOUR SWIFTEST STEEDS RIDING UP AND DOWN THE EMPIRE'S PROUD ROADS ALL FOR ONE LOWLY SLAVE BOXER...

IS THAT NOT AN ABUSE OF YOUR AUTHORITY, YOUR MAJESTY?

...

YOU NEEDN'T REMONSTRATE ME LIKE SOME OLD MAN!

EVEN THOSE OLD FOOLS AT THE SENATE WOULD FEEL ASHAMED!

WHAT AN OUTRIGHT LIE...

ARE YOU ENVIOUS RUSKA?

HAD THAT UNGRATEFUL SLAVE BOXER LOST, I WOULD'VE RAISED A TOAST!

SHE WISHES FOR YOU TO ACCOMPANY HER OUT.

I HAVE BEEN SENT BY HER MAJESTY, AGRIPPINA.

EXCUSE ME, CAESAR.

NO...!

WOULDN'T THE COMMON PEOPLE FEEL REASSURED IF THEY SAW A STATESMEN FULL OF CONFIDENCE.

NICELY DONE!

...

I DO NOT NEED TO SEE ALL OF MOTHER'S BUFFOONERY!

AAAAH! NO WAY, NO WAY!

WHY MUST I BE FORCED TO ACCOMPANY HER AS EMPEROR FOR EVERY LITTLE THING?!

EVEN IF IT IS NOT A GRAND MATTER, SHOULDN'T YOU WISH TO SHOW YOURSELF YOUR MAJESTY!

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YOUR MAJES-TYYY!

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HOLD YOUR HEAD HIGH!

WITH MAGNI-FICENCE...

HE'S SO CUTE, I'M ALL EMBARASSED!

NERO!

HOHOHO... FINE WEATHER, IS IT NOT...

I AM THE EMPEROR...

THEIR LOUD CRYS EXTOL I, NERO. THE ONE FORCED TO SHOULDER THIS BURDEN FROM A YOUNG AGE...

YES, THE PEOPLE OF ROME ARE MY ALLIES!

IT IS PROOF OF LOVE!

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LOOK THERE. I AIN'T GOT A CLUE WHICH ONE'S THE EMPEROR.

SINCE WHEN WAS ROME'S LEADER A WOMAN?